



# March newsletter 2012



**Welcome** to the first BHee newsletter, brought to you by the new **Brighton & Hove environmental education** project, funded by Brighton & Hove City Council. Our regular newsletters will keep you up-to-date with what BHee can offer free to your school, as well as publicising other local events and initiatives for pupils and teachers.



**Our new website**, [Bhee.co.uk](http://Bhee.co.uk), is now live, and contains information about the wide range of FREE support BHee is offering to local schools. We would also like this site to showcase the fantastic environmental education already taking place in the city's schools. To do this we need your help and expertise! Please [email](#) us:

- photos of the exciting Eco work going on in your school
- recommendations for other teachers of local places to visit, or visitors to invite into school
- links to any pages on your school website that describes your environmental / Eco-Schools work



*Veg picking  
at Carlton Hill  
Primary School*



## Get involved!

Why not join the BHee Steering Group? Meetings are every few months, and you'll play a valuable part in shaping the development of the BHee project. To find out more please email [Helen Peake](#).

You can also volunteer as schools' representative on the City Sustainability Partnership. To find out more have a look at the [Council website](#).



## Eco-Schools support

Whether you're just getting started, or applying for a Green Flag, BHee can offer you a wide range of support customized to meet your school's needs, delivered by a trained Eco-Schools assessor. Click [here](#) for more details and [contact Helen](#) to discuss what support your school needs to move on to your next award.

If you have any news you'd like to share in the next newsletter or on our website, please contact [Helen Peake](#) or [Katie Eiberstein](#).



## Wildlife workshops

Research show that learning outside the classroom significantly raises pupils' achievements and gets all pupils excited about learning. BHee is now booking FREE [wildlife workshops](#) for the summer term, working with pupils in your school grounds, in a local park, or on [the Downs](#). Find out more about how your school could benefit from FREE transport to [Stanmer Park](#) to take part in an exciting BHee workshop.



## Resources for schools

To find out more about what you can be doing now in your school wildlife area, have a look at our Wildlife Gardening Calendar in the [resources area](#) of our website. We will be featuring more downloadable resources for teachers in the months to come, so check this page regularly.

Brighton & Hove Council have provided schools with free access to [Wastebuster](#) to support waste education work this academic year. It is a video rich, multimedia teaching resource with cross-curricular films, practical activities and resources to make 'Wastebusting' an exciting part of the curriculum.

All Brighton & Hove schools should have received their login details to the [Wastebuster website](#). If you would like a password reminder please contact: [info@wastebuster.co.uk](mailto:info@wastebuster.co.uk)




Image from  
Wastebusters  
website



## Dates for your Diary

**Friday 16th March** – last chance to get your 'walk to school week' resources click [here](#) to view details.

**Saturday 31st March** – Join in with Earth Hour and win a free ride on the Brighton Wheel! Click [here](#) for more details.

**Sunday 1st April** – My Swish monthly clothes swap - Designer clothes swap @ the Blind Tiger Club in Grand Parade. Click [here](#) to view details.

**Wednesday 25th April** - The next BHee twilight from 3.45 – 5.30pm at St Andrew's CE Primary School. Come along to find out about more about wildlife gardening at school and look around a school with five Eco-Schools Green Flags. Click [here](#) for more information.